

## General Assembly

**Amendment** 

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Offered by:

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To: Subst. House Bill No. 6615

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(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

## "AN ACT ESTABLISHING CONSUMER PROTECTIONS FOR HOME IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTOR FINANCED PROGRAMS."

- 1 After section 2, insert the following:
- 2 "Sec. 3. Section 20-426 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 3 following is substituted in lieu thereof:
- 4 (a) The commissioner may revoke, suspend or refuse to issue or
- 5 renew any certificate of registration as a home improvement contractor
- 6 or [salesman] <u>salesperson</u> or place a registrant on probation or issue a
- 7 letter of reprimand for: (1) Conduct of a character likely to mislead,
- 8 deceive or defraud the public or the commissioner; (2) engaging in any
- 9 untruthful or misleading advertising; (3) failing to reimburse the
- 10 guaranty fund established pursuant to section 20-432 for any moneys
- 11 paid to an owner pursuant to subsection (o) of section 20-432; (4)
- 12 unfair or deceptive business practices; or (5) violation of any of the

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provisions of the general statutes relating to home improvements or

- 14 any regulation adopted pursuant to any of such provisions. The
- 15 commissioner may refuse to issue or renew any certificate of
- 16 registration as a home improvement contractor or salesperson of any
- 17 person subject to the registration requirements of chapter 969.
- 18 (b) The commissioner shall not revoke or suspend any certificate of
- 19 registration or require the posting of a bond except upon notice and
- 20 hearing in accordance with chapter 54.
- 21 Sec. 4. Section 20-494 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 22 following is substituted in lieu thereof:
- 23 (a) The board may, by majority vote of the entire board and upon a
- 24 finding of any cause specified in subsection (c) of section 21a-9:
- 25 (1) Revoke, suspend or refuse to issue a home inspector license or
- 26 home inspector intern permit;
- 27 (2) Issue a letter of reprimand to a home inspector and send a copy
- of such letter to a complainant or to a state or local official;
- 29 (3) Place a home inspector on probationary status and require the
- 30 home inspector to report regularly to the board on the matter that is
- 31 the basis for probation;
- 32 (4) Limit the home inspector's practice to areas prescribed by the
- 33 board; or
- 34 (5) Order a home inspector to continue or renew the home
- 35 inspector's education until the home inspector has attained a
- 36 satisfactory level of competence in any area that is the basis for
- 37 probation.
- 38 (b) By majority vote of the entire board and upon a finding that a
- 39 person applying for or renewing a home inspector license or home
- 40 inspector intern permit is subject to the registration requirements of
- 41 chapter 969, the board may refuse to issue or renew the home inspector

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- 42 <u>license or home inspector intern permit.</u>
- [(b)] (c) The board may discontinue, suspend or rescind any action

44 taken under [subsection] subsections (a) or (b) of this section."